

# News Release

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## **Shop Like An Early California Pioneer**

### **15<sup>th</sup> Annual Mountain Man Traders' Faire and Historic Pioneer Demonstration Days**

**Where:** *Sutter's Fort State Historic Park, 2701 L Street, Sacramento*

**When:** Friday, Saturday, Sunday, April 20-22, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Special Events Admission:** Adults \$6.00; Youths ages 6-17 \$3.00;  
Children 5 and younger are free.

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Tired of mall shopping? Experience outdoor shopping as the early California Pioneers did at Sutter's Fort State Historic Park, April 20-22, 2007 at the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Mountain Man Traders' Faire and Historic Pioneer Demonstration Days. Vendors will sell reproduction merchandise typical of the Pre-Gold Rush Days of the 1800's. Their wares will be displayed in tents inside the Fort's walls.

Shoppers will find quality crafted clothing, house wares, toys, beads, knives and more for sale during this three-day event. As visitors peruse the Traders' Faire they can observe demonstrations of crafts and skills of the era, presented by costumed Sutter's Fort State Historic Park docents and event volunteers. Children will enjoy the festive environment including live traditional music of the pioneers performed throughout the day.

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Mountain Man Traders' Faire is sponsored by the non-profit Sacramento Historic Sites Association, a cooperative association providing financial support for activities and programs at Sutter's Fort State.

Captain Sutter, along with those immigrant families, carpenters, bakers, spinners, trappers, Mexican soldiers, and others housed in the protective walls of the fort, will bring early California's rich history alive. All characters and historical figures are portrayed by the Sutter's Fort State Historic Park Docents. Re-live the sights, smells and sounds of the past! Contact Sutter's Fort State Historic Park, one of 278 California State Parks, at 916-445-4422 for further event information or for information on volunteer and education programs.

**Note to editors:** digital photos feature a sample of wares available for purchase during the event..  
Costumed docents are available for pre-event on-air appearances.

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**About Sutter's Fort State Historic Park**

*Operated by California State Parks with financial assistance from the nonprofit Sacramento Historic Sites Association, Sutter's Fort State Historic Park is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Located in midtown Sacramento on L Street between 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> Streets, the Fort offers special events and living history programs throughout the year. Established in 1839 by Swiss immigrant John Augustus Sutter, Sutter's Fort was at the center of a flourishing agricultural empire named New Helvetia (New Switzerland.) This empire established Sacramento's earliest settlement and the first non-Indian settlement in California's Central Valley. For more information, call (916) 445-4422 or visit [www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov) and click on "Find a Park."*